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**MEMORIAL DRIVE TO BE CLOSED FOR
BOSTON'S RUN TO REMEMBER, SUNDAY, MARCH 12**

Boston's inaugural Run to Remember will be held this weekend Sunday, March 12, 2006. Several road closings in Boston and Cambridge will take place on Sunday to accommodate the race's projected 4,000 runners.

Beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Sunday, March 12, there will be no parking on Memorial Drive eastbound and westbound, from 1 Memorial Drive to 450 Memorial Drive and from 980 Memorial Drive to Mt. Auburn Street. This ban will be effective until 12:00 p.m. There will also be no parking allowed at the yacht clubs on the eastbound side of Memorial Drive.

During the race, from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 11:00 a.m., Charles Circle, Longfellow Bridge and Memorial Drive will be closed to all vehicular traffic. Detour signs will be posted, and Massachusetts State Police, Boston Police, Cambridge Police and Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation staff will be on hand to help direct traffic. Police will also monitor traffic on the Western Avenue, River Street and BU Bridges to allow cars to cross Memorial Drive when no runners are present.

One lane of Cambridge Street in Boston will also be blocked off to allow access to Massachusetts General Hospital, and to direct traffic onto Storrow Drive.

The MBTA has been notified, as the road closures affect some of their bus routes.

All roads should be open again by approximately 11:00 a.m.

For more information on Boston's Run to Remember, call 978-836-6149 or go online to <http://www.bostonsruntoremember.org>.

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